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BIOGRAPHIC DATA

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY
Rear Admiral Guenter Hans Josef POSER
September 1966

(U) NAME: Rear Admiral Guenter Hans Josef POSER, Navy.

(U) POSITION: Chief of Intelligence, Armed Forces, since Apr 1964.

(U) SIGNIFICANCE: World War II submarine commander. Competent, intelligent. Highly regarded by Japanese during his duty as German Attaché to Japan (1957-1963).

(C) POLITICS:

(C) International: Pro-U.S. Very anti-Soviet.

(U) PERSONAL DATA:

(U) Birth: 23 Sep 1916 in Berlin.

(U) Family: Wife, Margaret, born about 1925; married 1957. Quiet, unassuming, pleasant; fair English, three children.

(U) Description: Height 5'10", weight about 160 pounds, slender build, ruddy complexion. Sociable, personable, good sense of humor. Enjoys scotch and light wines.

(U) Languages: Native German; fluent English; limited Japanese.

(U) CAREER:

- 1936 - Entered the Navy.
- 1937 - Attended Naval School, Murwick.
- 1938 - Commissioned Ensign.
- 1941 - Submarine duty.
- 1943 - Comdr, submarine U-202, sunk 19 Jun; taken prisoner of war. Interned in Canada.
- 1947 - Released from Canada as POW. Administrative and personnel officer, Landesrentenbank, Bonn.

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1955	- Entered the Federal Germany Navy, 5 Dec.
1956	- Member, personal staff, State Secretary for Defense.
1957	- Armed Forces Attaché, Tokyo; rank of LCdr.
1963	- Appointed Chief, Naval Intelligence, Ministry of Defense.
	- Promoted to Capt, 4 Jan.
1964-Present	- Chief of Intelligence, Armed Forces, Apr 1964. Promoted to RAdm, 30 Sep 1964.